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Please add new claims 8-18.

8. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 1, further comprising:

the first tubular member is provided with a receiving member which is snugly fitted in the bottom of the first tubular member and has a cross section having a shape similar to that of the first tubular base member; and

the second tubular member is provided with a catching member which is snugly fitted around the outer surface of the upper end of the second tubular member, has a cross section having a shape similar to that of the second tubular member, and is adapted to catch said receiving member when the second tubular member projects to its fullest extent.

9. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 2, further comprising: the first tubular member is provided with a receiving member which is

snugly fitted in the bottom of the first tubular member and has a cross section

having a shape similar to that of the first tubular base member; and

the second tubular member is provided with a catching member which is snugly fitted around the outer surface of the upper end of the second tubular member, has a cross section having a shape similar to that of the second tubular member, and is adapted to catch said receiving member when the second tubular member projects to its fullest extent.

10. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 3, further comprising: the first tubular member is provided with a receiving member which is

snugly fitted in the bottom of the first tubular member and has a cross section

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having a shape similar to that of the first tubular base member; and

the second tubular member is provided with a catching member which is snugly fitted around the outer surface of the upper end of the second tubular member, has a cross section having a shape similar to that of the second tubular member, and is adapted to catch said receiving member when the second tubular member projects to its fullest extent.

11. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 1, further comprising: a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

12. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 2, further comprising: a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

13. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 3, further comprising: a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

14. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 5, further comprising: a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

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15. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 6, further comprising:

a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

16. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 8, further comprising:

a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

17. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 9, further comprising:

a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.

18. (NEW) A telescopic unit, according to claim 10, further comprising:

a tripod;

said tripod including a base;

said base including a plurality of leg attachments; and

said telescopic units respectively attached to each said leg attachments.